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Application Number	10/623,872
Filing Date	July 21, 2003
First Named Inventor	Ai Kondo
Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	Sanza L. McClendon
Attorney Docket Number	56232.90

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Response
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17) ( Extension)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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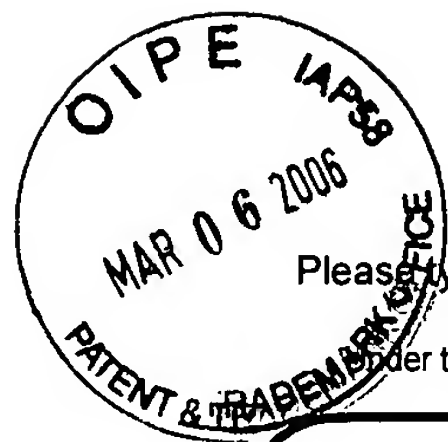
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<b>1. BASIC FILING FEE</b>		1804 920* 1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
Large Entity Small Entity		1805 1,840* 1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
Fee Code Fee (\$)		1251 120 2251 60 Extension for reply within first month	
1001 300 2001 150 Utility filing fee		1252 430 2252 215 Extension for reply within second month	
1002 200 2002 100 Design filing fee		1253 980 2253 490 Extension for reply within third month	
1003 200 2003 100 Plant filing fee		1254 1,530 2254 765 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1004 300 2004 150 Reissue filing fee		1255 2,080 2255 1,040 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1005 200 2005 100 Provisional filing fee		1401 340 2401 170 Notice of Appeal	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)-0-		1402 340 2402 170 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
<b>2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE</b>		1403 300 2403 150 Request for oral hearing	
Total Claims -20 ** = 0 X 50 = 0		1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
Independent Claims -3 ** = 0 X 200 = 0		1452 110 2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
Multiple Dependent X = 0		1453 1,370 2453 685 Petition to revive - unintentional	
Large Entity Small Entity		1501 1,370 2501 685 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
Fee Code Fee (\$)		1502 490 2502 245 Design issue fee	
1202 50 2202 25 Claims in excess of 20		1503 660 2503 330 Plant issue fee	
1201 200 2201 100 Independent claims in excess of 3		1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1203 360 2203 180 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		1807 50 1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
1204 200 2204 100 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent		1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
1205 50 2205 25 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent		8021 40 8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)-0-		1809 790 2809 395 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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☒ Deposit Account 07-1850  
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☐ Supplemental Response II ( pages)

☐ Amendment

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☒ Information Disclosure Statement  
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☐ Drawing(s) In/Formal \_\_\_\_ Sheets with  
Submission of Drawings Transmittal

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